

Table 4.2 Marital Status of the Foreign-Born Population by Sex and Region of Birth: March 2002
(Numbers in thousands. 1/ 2/)

SEX AND MARITAL STATUS	LATIN AMERICA		REGION OF BIRTH					
			CARIBBEAN		CENTRAL AMERICA		SOUTH AMERICA	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total								
Total	15,684	100.0	2,957	100.0	10,849	100.0	1,878	100.0
Married, spouse present	8,157	52.0	1,343	45.4	5,744	52.9	1,070	57.0
Married, spouse absent 3/	794	5.1	147	5.0	575	5.3	73	3.9
Widowed	536	3.4	186	6.3	288	2.7	61	3.3
Divorced	854	5.4	283	9.6	441	4.1	130	6.9
Separated	592	3.8	177	6.0	353	3.3	63	3.3
Never married	4,749	30.3	821	27.8	3,448	31.8	481	25.6
Male								
Total	8,245	100.0	1,370	100.0	5,974	100.0	901	100.0
Married, spouse present	4,121	50.0	671	48.9	2,929	49.0	521	57.9
Married, spouse absent 3/	538	6.5	64	4.7	438	7.3	36	4.0
Widowed	97	1.2	33	2.4	59	1.0	5	0.6
Divorced	351	4.3	103	7.5	190	3.2	59	6.5
Separated	194	2.4	63	4.6	113	1.9	18	2.0
Never married	2,944	35.7	437	31.9	2,245	37.6	262	29.1
Female								
Total	7,438	100.0	1,586	100.0	4,875	100.0	977	100.0
Married, spouse present	4,037	54.3	673	42.4	2,816	57.8	549	56.2
Married, spouse absent 3/	256	3.4	83	5.2	136	2.8	37	3.8
Widowed	439	5.9	153	9.6	230	4.7	56	5.8
Divorced	503	6.8	180	11.4	251	5.2	72	7.3
Separated	398	5.3	114	7.2	240	4.9	45	4.6
Never married	1,805	24.3	384	24.2	1,202	24.7	219	22.4

1/ The majority of those born in 'Central America' are from Mexico.

2/ Age 15 years and over.

3/ 'Married, spouse absent' excludes separated.

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